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1. A. V. Bolshakov, TASS representative in Karachi, who until recently has moved frequently and freely with staff members of the pro-Communist Karachi Urdu Daily Imroz*, has recently stopped this practice. He still comes regularly to the Imroz office, but goes directly to the private office of M. A. Kirmani, editor in chief of the Karachi edition, where he has been remaining for one or two hours. Mumtaz Hussain and Anis Hashmi, both leading Karachi Communists, have regularly been present during these conferences. Kirmani himself has been absent from his office on one or two occasions, when Bolshakov, Mumtaz Hussain and Hashmi have conferred privately.
2. An active Communist worker stated on 16 August that he had recently read a document reviewing "politically subversive" activity in Pakistan prepared by the Inter-Services Intelligence Directorate of the Ministry of Defense, Government of Pakistan (GOP). The publication was given a secret classification and a total circulation of only 120 numbered copies. The Communist worker, who obtained a copy long enough to have it typed and sent to the Communist Party headquarters in Lahore, said that the document was intelligently written, but that there were some errors in it. For example, he stated, the document's assertion that the Communists in West Pakistan have no functioning headquarters and are split by factionalism is not accurate. "We have," he said, "a properly functioning headquarters in Lahore and all factionalism has now been removed." He added that the document was accurate in reporting that the East Pakistan Party was much more closely tied to the Indian Communist Party than is the West Pakistan Party.
3. This same party worker stated on 16 August that the Communist Party in Karachi is growing rapidly, having by then 50 active members.

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